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(b) why it was not opened this year till now when the reservoir has a supply of 13 feet;

(c) when sluices were opened and closed for first and second crops in each year during the last five years; and

(d) how many times the reservoir surplussed after its construction?

A.—(i) No rules have been framed yet for the regulation of water issued from the Mopad reservoir. The matter is under the consideration of the local officers.

(ii) (a) The level of water in the reservoir was 15·9 feet in 1933–34 and 10·5 feet in 1934–35 when the sluice was first opened for irrigation.

(b) The sluice was opened this year on 18th July 1935 when the reservoir level was 12·75. The reservoir is generally opened only on the 15th July or later according to the supplies available. This year the opening was delayed by a few days as repair works had to be check-measured.

(c) As the first and second-crop seasons are continuous there are no separate dates of opening and closure for each crop. The dates of opening and closure during each of the last five years were—

	Date of Opening.	Date of Closure.
1930–31	27th August 1930.	15th May 1931.
1931–32	15th July 1931.	1st April 1932.
1932–33	5th July 1932.	31st January 1933.
1933–34	3rd December 1953.	26th May 1934.
1934–35	15th July 1934.	27th March 1935.

(d) Three times, i.e., in 1922–23, 1925–26 and 1930–31.

The Survepalli Reservoir.

* 300 Q.—Khan Bahadur YAHYA ALI SAHIB Bahadur: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to place on the table of the House a comprehensive statement regarding the proposals for improving the Survepalli reservoir and the cost of those improvements?

A.—The detailed investigation of the scheme for improvements to the Survepalli reservoir was taken up last year and has been completed. Plans and estimates are under scrutiny by the local officers. Details of the proposals and their cost will become available only after the final report on the scheme is received.